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## DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT

### NOTIFICATION

The 6th January, 2025

No.486—WCD-WE&A-SCHM-0008/2024/WCD.— In partial modification of this Department Notification No-10076, dated the 13th June, 2018, the "State Task Force for Care Protection and Development of Girls and Women is renamed as "State Task Force for Empowerment and Protection of Girls and Women" and reconstituted as follows:

Sl. No.	Designation of the Member	Position
(1)	(2)	(3)
1	Chief Secretary	Chairperson
2	Development Commissioner-cum-Additional Chief Secretary	Vice Chairperson
3	Additional Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary to Govt., Home Department	Member
4	Principal Secretary/Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Department of Women & Child Development	Member
5	Principal Secretary /Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Finance Department	Member
6	Principal Secretary/Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department	Member
7	Principal Secretary/Commissioner-cum-Secretary, School & Mass Education Department	Member
8	Principal Secretary/Commissioner-cum-Secretary. Labour & ESI Department	Member
9	Principal Secretary/Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Social Security and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities	Member

(1)	(2)	(3)
10	Principal Secretary/Commissioner- <i>cum</i> -Secretary, Skill Development & Technical Education Department	Member
11	Principal Secretary/Commissioner- <i>cum</i> -Secretary, ST. & SC. Development, Minorities and Backward classes Welfare Department	Member
12	Principal Secretary/Commissioner- <i>cum</i> -Secretary, Panchayati Raj & Drinking Water Department	Member
13	Principal Secretary/Commissioner- <i>cum</i> -Secretary, Sports & Youth Services Department	Member
14	Principal Secretary/Commissioner- <i>cum</i> -Secretary, Higher Education Department	Member
15	Director, ICDS and SW	Member
16	FA- <i>cum</i> -Special Secretary, W&CD Department	Member
17	Special Secretary /Additional Secretary/Joint Secretary (in-charge of scheme section), W&CD Department	Member Convener
18	DG of Police, Odisha	Member
19	Additional C.G. (Police) HRPC, Odisha	Member
20	IG Crime, Odisha	Member
21	General Manager, East Coast Railway	Member
22	IG <i>cum</i> PCSC, Railway Protection Force	Member
23	Collector, Khurda	Member
24	Collector, Nayagarh	Member
25	Member Secretary, State Legal Services Authority	Member
26	Chairperson, Odisha State Commission for Women	Member
27	Chairperson, Odisha State Commission for Protection of Child Rights	Member
28	Representative of Development Partners (UNFPA, UNICEF)	Member
29	The President, Vijaya, Plot No-417, Saheed Nagar, Bhubaneswar	Member
30	Director, Women Studies, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar	Member
31	Representative from SLBC	Member

### Indicative Terms of Reference:

1. To periodically analyze the trends, patterns and factors responsible for declining Child Sex Ratio and to guide different interventions both at supply side and demand side with involvement of key stake holders to address Child Sex Ratio. The issue of sex ratio at birth is located at a complex interface of the status of women in society and patriarchal norms, spread and misuse of medical

technology motivated by commercial interest and changing aspiration of rural and urban society. This requires a coherent and holistic response at multiple levels by multiple stake holders.

**2.** To review and specify actions for addressing gender discrimination with inter sectoral convergence to promote equity and equality of girls and women in the society.

**3.** To design appropriate policy interventions at different levels as per need, aimed at achieving gender equality and enhancing the status of women and girls.

**4.** To suggest policies and programmes to address issues related to most vulnerable among girl children such as girls with disability, girls belonging to PVTGS migrant family etc.

**5.** To assess the trends of violence and suggest ways to promote safety for women, in all spheres of life and public spaces.

**6.** To periodically review the status of implementation of legislations, policies and programmes for protection, survival and development of girls and women.

**7.** To specify and priorities commitments of different sectors and stake holders in addressing the concerns raised, with monitorable and verifiable outcomes and timelines.

**8.** To monitor and track policies, laws and programmes for curbing trafficking of girls and women and ensuring their rehabilitation and mainstreaming in society.

**9.** To conduct a systemic evaluation to access the relevance, efficiency, effectiveness, sustainability and impact of various incentives and scheme to identify and address key concerns that have been raised so as to encourage retention in schools, promote vocational skills, livelihood security, improve access to health and nutrition services and such other areas.

**10.** To guide in developing a comprehensive communication and advocacy strategies for improving the status of girl and women. Gender discrimination is an issue requiring social and behavioral change, and in an era of a communications revolution, effective and well-planned communication strategies can make a difference.

**11.** The Task Force would meet twice a year or as may be decided by the Chairperson.

**12.** The Task Force would oversee the overall implementation of Sambal and Samarthya Sub Scheme .

**ORDER**

Ordered that this notification be published in the Extraordinary issue of *Odisha Gazette* and copies be supplied to all the Departments of the Government.

By Order of the Governor  
SHUBHA SARMA  
Principal Secretary to Government